# MINUTES OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MUNDY REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 26, 2009

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The Regular Meeting of the Charter Township of Mundy was called to order by SUPERVISOR D. Guigear at 7:00 pm. TREASURER J. Oskey, TRUSTEES M. Frost, B. Harrison, and B. Morey were present. Also present ATTORNEY F. Belzer, POLICE MARSHAL J. Petres, FIRE CHIEF T. Romans, and FINANCE DIRECTOR K. Ruddy. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by TRUSTEE Harrison. CLERK Ketzler and TRUSTEE Owens absent and excused.

## APPROVAL AND CORRECTION OF MINUTES

<u>Action Taken</u> - Motion by Treasurer Oskey, supported by Trustee Harrison to approve the minutes of the October 12, 2009 regular meeting as submitted. MOTION CARRIED, Unanimously

Action Taken - Motion by Treasurer Oskey, supported by Trustee Harrison to approve the minutes of the September 28, 2009 regular meeting as submitted.

MOTION CARRIED, Unanimously

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Ms. Mary Sheridan, 6398 Laura Lane, noted that Clerk Ketzler and Trustee Owens are absent. She voiced her concern that the recording secretary was absent at the October 12 meeting. Ms. Sheridan also stated her concern with budget expenses and actions of the board members.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Supervisor D. Guigear announced that the Planning Commission meeting will be held on November 11, 2009 at 7:00 pm and Zoning Board of Appeals meeting will be held on October 28, 2009 at 7:00 pm.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

FIRE DEPARTMENT – Chief Romans Chief Romans had no comments.

POLICE DEPARTMENT – Marshal Petres Marshal Petres had no comments.

# FINANCE DEPARTMENT - K. Ruddy

A. September Financial Reports

Ms. Ruddy stated that the September financial reports have been provided.

#### B. 2010 Budget

Ms. Ruddy gave a summary presentation of the following: the budget process and timeline; a preliminary budget by fund; the sewer and water fund; capital improvement fund; general fund and detail by department. She noted that there will be a reduction in the fund balance if the budget is adopted as presented. A resolution will be presented at the final budget hearing on November 9, 2009. She then explained that major revenue decreases were property taxes, revenue sharing, interest income, impact fees and the reimbursement for the GAIN officer. Suggested expense reductions were road

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projects; transfer to capital improvement fund; miscellaneous expense; limiting ZBA meetings; implementation of a 4 day work week and replacing cell phones with a phone allowance.

Supervisor Guigear noted that the deputy clerk is present representing the clerk's office.

Ms. Ruddy reviewed the sewer and water fund; capital improvement plan; revenue by source and each department's budget in detail. Increases or decreases between 2009 and 2010 were noted and explained. Ms. Ruddy summarized that the following reductions have been discussed: road improvement fund to 175,000.00; capital improvement fund to 275,000.00; miscellaneous expense by 4,000.00; fire department fuel by 5,000.00; fire department performance bonuses reducing wages by 3,600.00 and fire department dues by 1,100.00. In depth discussion regarding balancing the budget ensued.

Ms. Ruddy stated that she does not advocate using fund balance as a way to balance the yearly budget. Discussion regarding reducing the number of ZBA meetings per year; and possibly not funding the retiree health care benefits in the coming year continued. Ms. Ruddy warned against not funding the retiree health care benefits. She suggested reducing the 10 year pension catch up which is not mandatory. Ms. Ruddy noted that she does not have any figures with regard to the health care costs. She stated that after applying the changes discussed the deficit is now \$266,071.00.

### **ATTORNEY**

Mr. Belzer had nothing to report.

# SUPERVISOR - D. Guigear

Supervisor Guigear stated that Carman-Ainsworth Robotics team will be raising funds between now and December 1, 2009.

# A. Blight Issue

Supervisor Guigear stated that there are two blighted properties where the building official has reached an impasse. Mr. Belzer explained that due to the fact that the properties are owned by a corporation the course of action requires filing of a circuit court lawsuit. Supervisor Guigear requested guidance from the board. Discussion continued.

<u>Action Taken</u> - Motion by Trustee Frost, supported by Trustee Morey to request that the attorney draft correspondence to Citi Mortgage to get the problems corrected. MOTION CARRIED, Unanimously.

B. Modify Weed Ordinance Ordinance No. 117 Supervisor Guigear explained that the current ordinance only addresses platted property. Many properties are divided by condominium.

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<u>Action Taken</u> - Motion by Treasurer Oskey, supported by Supervisor Guigear to request that the attorney modify the weed ordinance to address properties divided by condominium.

MOTION CARRIED, Unanimously.

C. Auction of Outdated Computer Equipment
Supervisor Guigear stated that a list of outdated equipment has been provided.

<u>Action Taken</u> - Motion by Supervisor Guigear, supported by Treasurer to allow Marshal Petres to list the items for auction on the selected internet site.

MOTION CARRIED, Unanimously.

Supervisor Guigear stated that correspondence has been received with regard to allowing the township to contract for snow removal in subdivisions in the event there is excessive snowfall.

Supervisor Guigear explained that the county water and waste is moving forward with changing their billing software. Therefore, the township should explore moving forward with billing. Discussion continued.

Supervisor Guigear stated that correspondence has been received from Genesee County 911 requesting the use of the internet connection at fire station two. There will be no cost to the township.

<u>Action Taken</u> - Motion by Supervisor Guigear, supported by Treasurer Oskey to allow the addition of discussion regarding allowing Genesee County 911 to use the internet connection at fire station two to the agenda.

MOTION CARRIED, Unanimously

Action Taken - Motion by Supervisor Guigear, supported by Treasurer Oskey to allow for an addition of a secure VPN internet connection at fire station two for use by Genesee County 911 with the monthly cost of \$14.99 being paid by Genesee County. MOTION CARRIED, Unanimously

CLERK – T. Ketzler
A. County / Hurley Expenses
Clerk Ketzler was absent.

**TREASURER** – J. Oskey Treasurer Oskey had nothing to report.

### **TRUSTEES**

Trustee Frost questioned what the next step is in the budget approval process. Ms. Ruddy stated that she will return with a budget reflecting the changes discussed along with a resolution for approval.

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#### PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Mary Sheridan expressed her concern with the reductions in the fire department and wages of board members.

Mr. Greg Newhart, 7155 Linden Road explained that the audience members would be able to better understand discussion on the budget if they were given a copy of the entire budget. He also voiced concern with balancing the budget.

Mr. John Junga, 5004 Murray Street stated his concern regarding budget increases and reductions discussed by the board.

### **ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

Action Taken - Motion by Treasurer Oskey, supported by Supervisor Guigear to approve to pay all of the following invoices: General Fund checks #54759 through #54786 totaling \$17,541.24. Payroll DD #3310 through #3367; Payroll checks #15618 through #15631; EFT #301 through #306 totaling \$90,621.50; Sewer checks #1900 through #1902 totaling \$271,629.05 for a grand total of \$379,791.79. Checks dated prior to October 26, 2009 shall be post audited per Resolution 08-12.

Supervisor Guigear stated that a copy of the budget is available in the clerk's office. Ms. Ruddy noted that the budget retained by the clerk's office is not detailed.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Action Taken - Motion by Treasurer Oskey, supported by Trustee Harrison to adjourn at 9:25 pm.

MOTION CARRIED, Unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Approved:

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Dayd Guigear, Supervisor

These minutes were prepared by Amanda EW Bastuk, for Mundy Township

13 Nav 2009

Dated

Amanda EW Bastuk, Recording Secretary